

Canadian GPS Networks in the Great Lakes Region

Status Report

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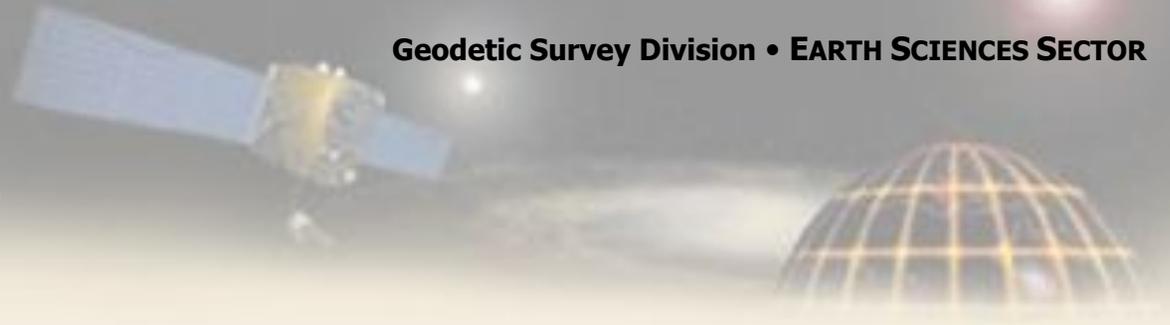
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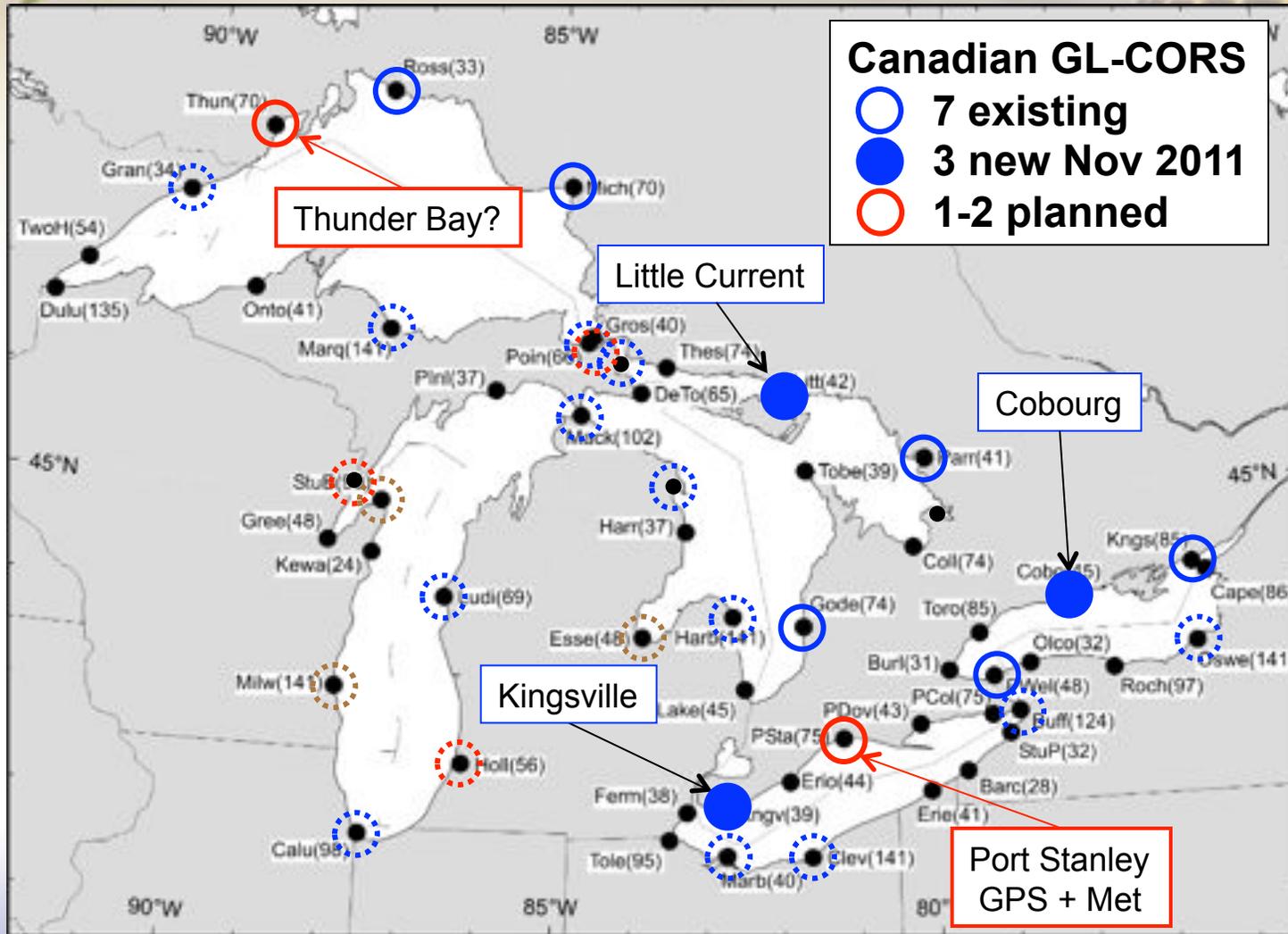
Outline



- **Status of Canadian CORS at Water Gauges**
- **GPS Roof Multipath Test – Final Results**
- **Reprocessed GPS Velocity Field**
- **Reprocessed IGLD GPS Survey Results**



CORS at Water Gauges





Roof Multipath Tests

- **Most CORS antennas located above a gauge building roof**
- **Possibility of biases from signal multipath off metal roofs**
- **Performed controlled tests of multipath**
 - Constructed different roofs over a pillar at GSD's antenna test site
 - Bare metal (PWEL)
 - Rocks (5-10 cm size) on metal (ROSS)
 - Crushed stone on metal
 - Tar paper on metal (PARY)
 - Low-pitched wood shingled roof (GODR)
 - Compared position results to that for no roof
 - Preliminary results with PPP reported at Nov 2011 meeting
 - Final results with Bernese Software – much more accurate





Roof Types



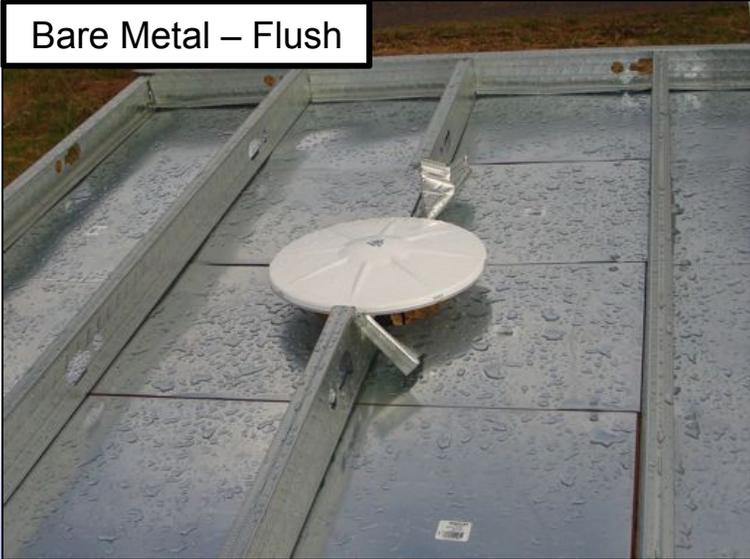
Bare Metal



Rocks on Metal



Crushed Stone on Metal
(also extended 1m higher)

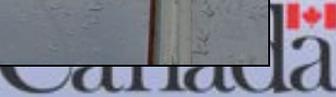


Bare Metal - Flush



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Roof Types

Shingled Wood Roof



No Roof

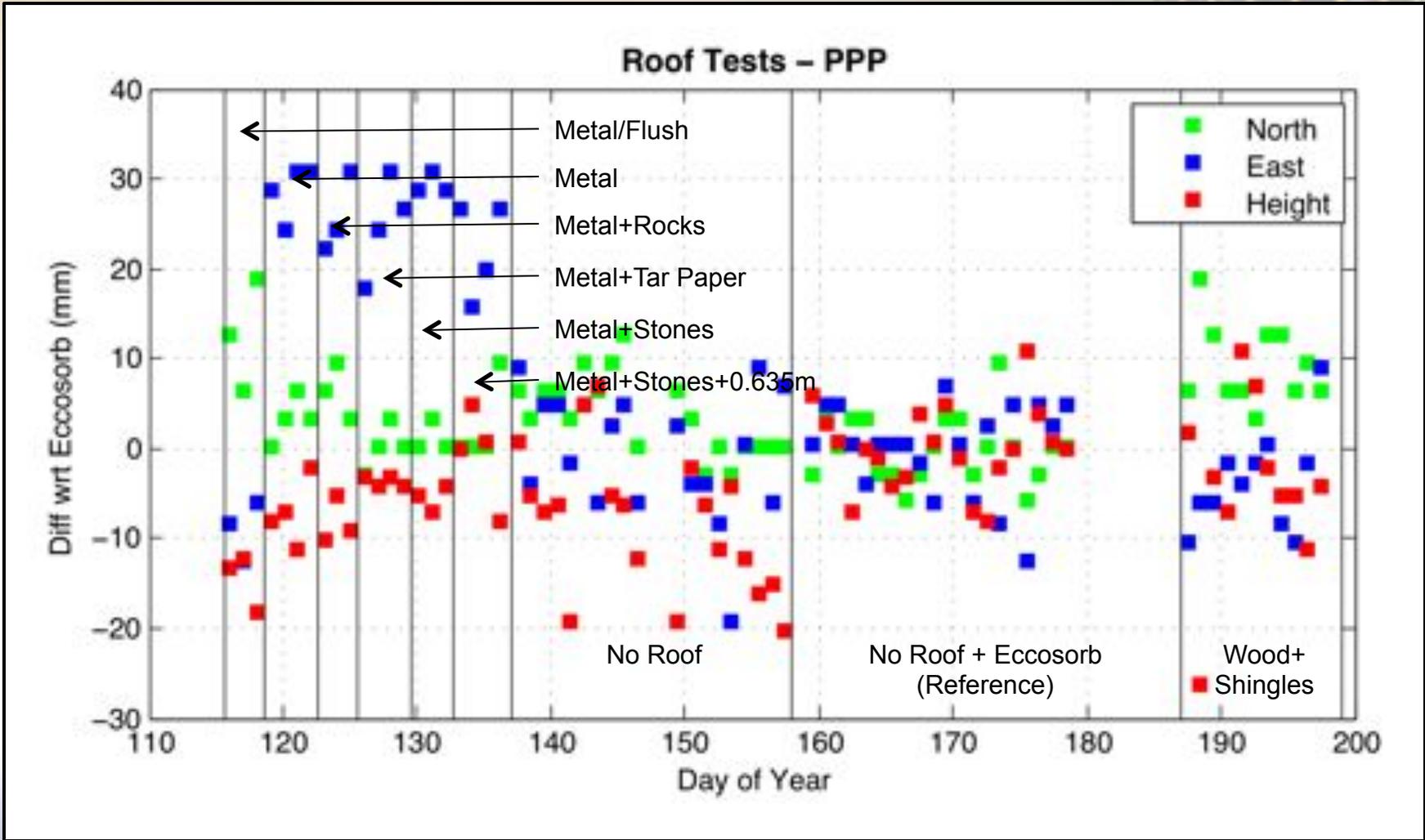


No Roof + Eccosorb
(absorbs multipath)



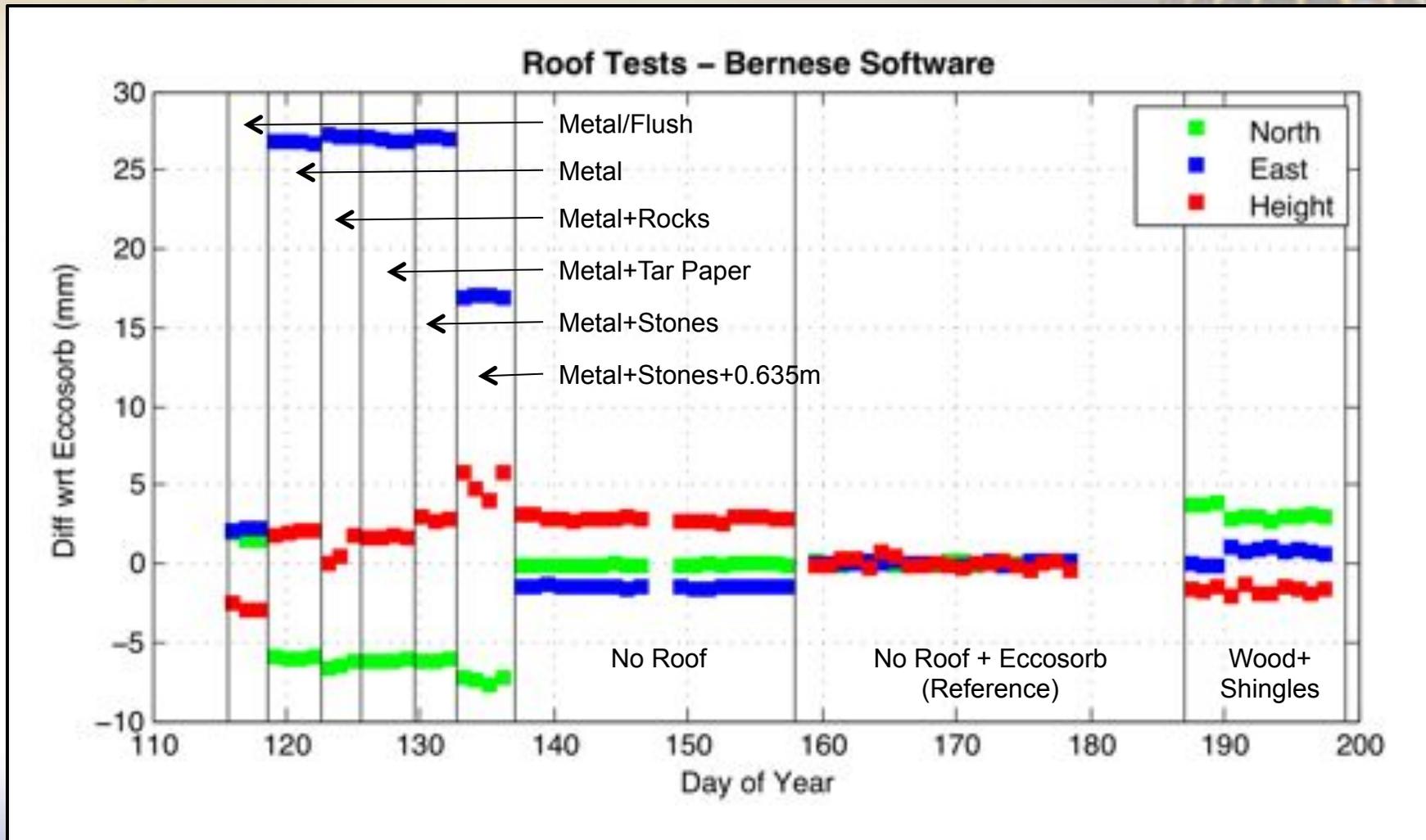


PPP Results





Bernese Software Results (larger scale)





Roof Multipath Conclusions



- **Metal roofs**
 - Caused large offsets in horizontal position (~ 3 cm)
 - Extending height of antenna significantly reduced horizontal offset
 - Vertical offsets are small (< 5 mm)
 - Antenna flush on roof behaved well but not practical
- **Wood roof provided least bias**
- **Multipath is consistent from day to day even for metal roofs**
 - May not bias velocity estimation but...
 - Need much longer time series to verify no long term variation





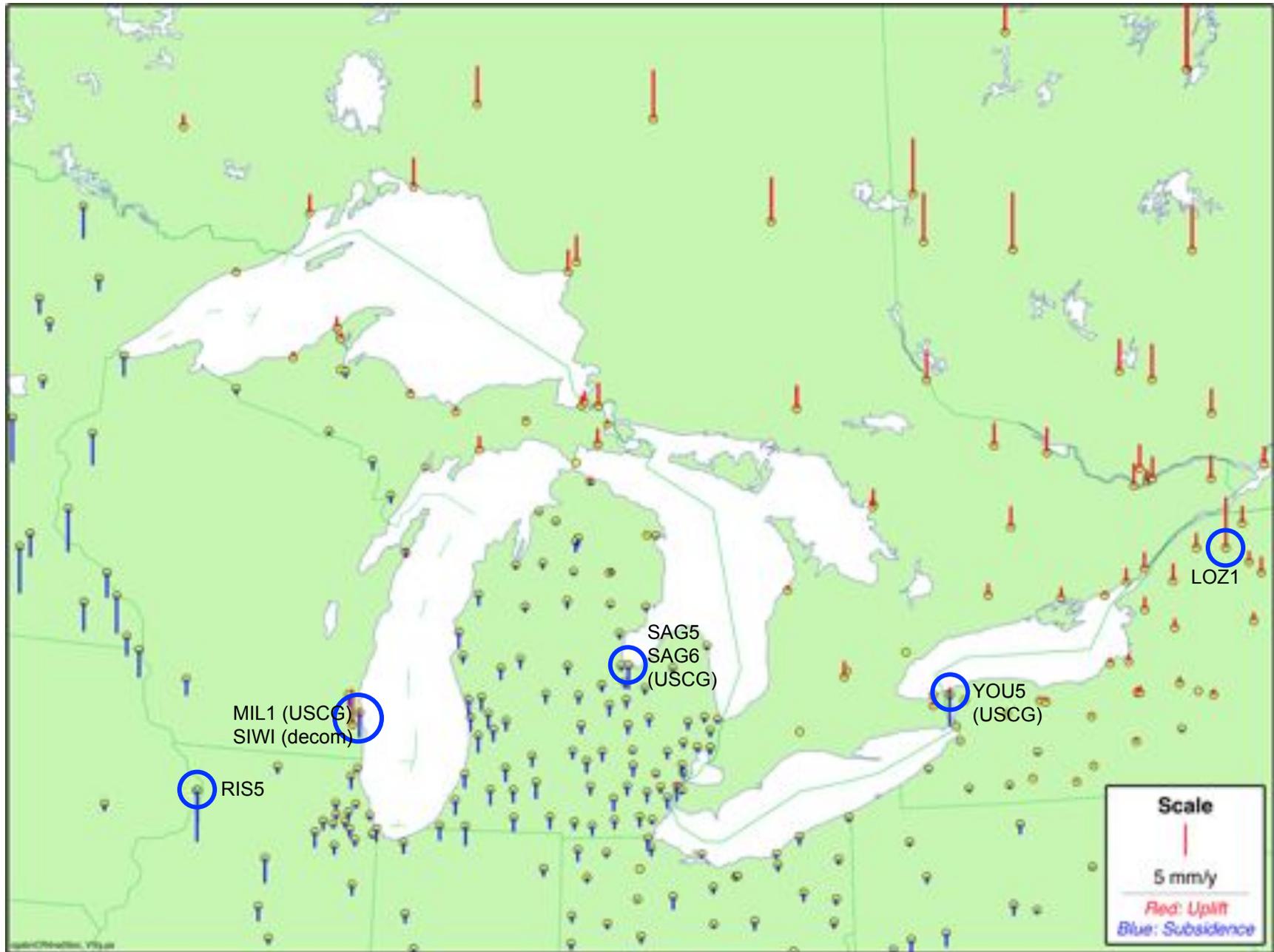
New GPS Velocity Field



- **Reprocessed all Canadian CORS and US Great Lakes CORS**
 - All data from 2000 to date
 - About 500 stations including all US Great Lakes CORS
 - Used latest Bernese GPS software, IGS orbits & IGS05 antenna calibrations
 - Corrected CORS for IGS08 calibrations using lat-dependent model
- **Reprocessing all CBN campaigns (~160 stations)**
 - All data from 1994 to 2011 (4 major campaigns)
 - Same processing procedures as CACS/CORS
 - Cannot correct for IGS08 antenna calibrations
- **Will reprocess again with IGS08 antenna calibrations**
- **Computed CACS/CORS + CBN velocity field**
 - Aligned and integrated with ITRF2008/IGS08 reference frame



CACS/CORS+CBN Vertical Velocity Field





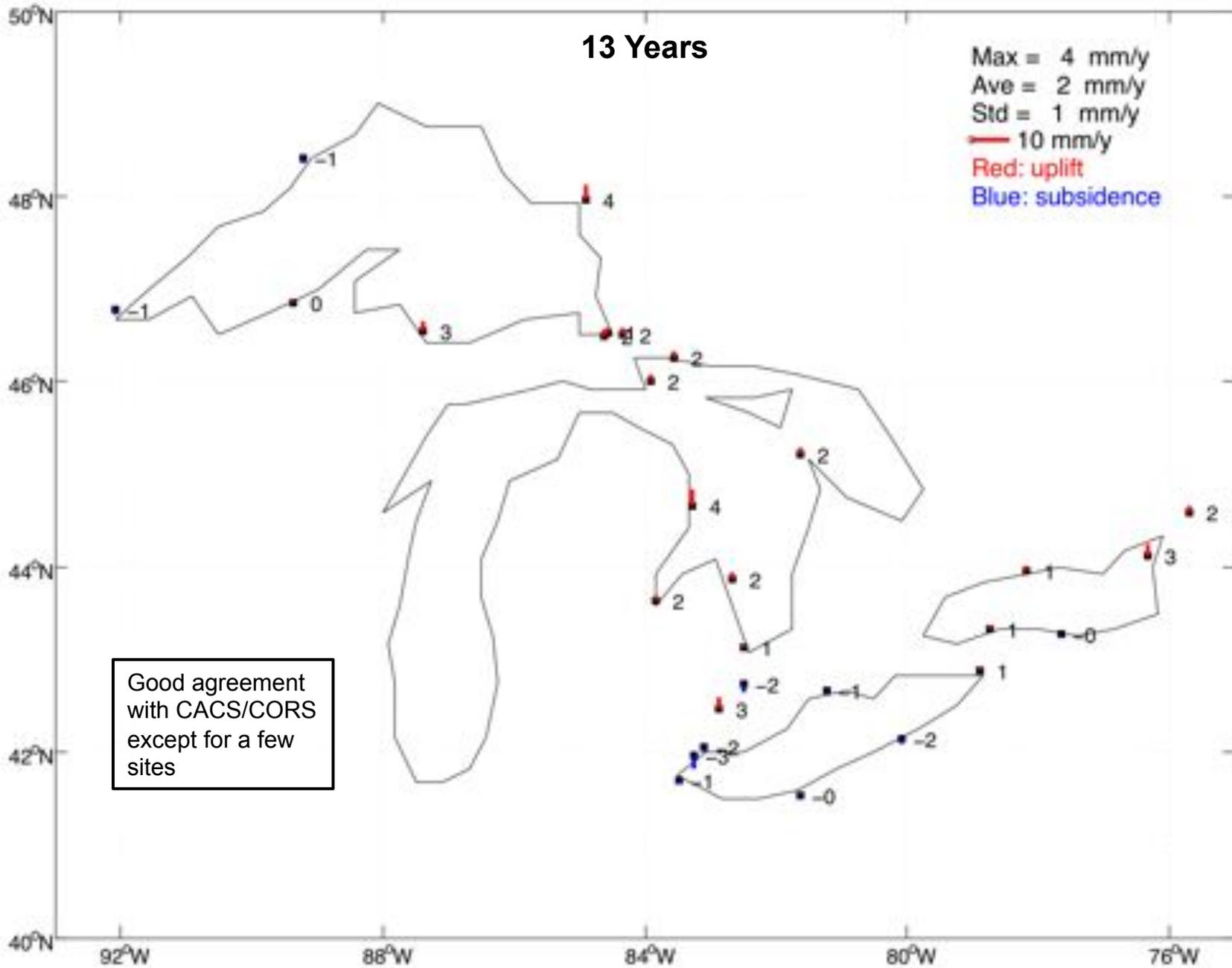
IGLD GPS Surveys

- **GPS surveys**
 - 1997 (partial Great Lakes)
 - 2005 (Great Lakes + St. Lawrence River)
 - 2010 (Great Lakes only)
- **All data reprocessed**
 - Using same procedures as for CACS/CORS & CBN
 - Cannot correct for IGS08 antenna calibrations
- **Will reprocess again with IGS08 antenna calibrations**
- **Comparisons between epochs**
 - Computed average relative velocities with respect to ALGO (coordinate difference / time difference)
 - Fixed ALGO to ITRF2008 velocity (3.6 mm/y)
 - Accuracy decreases with decreasing time span



IGLD 1997 → IGLD 2010

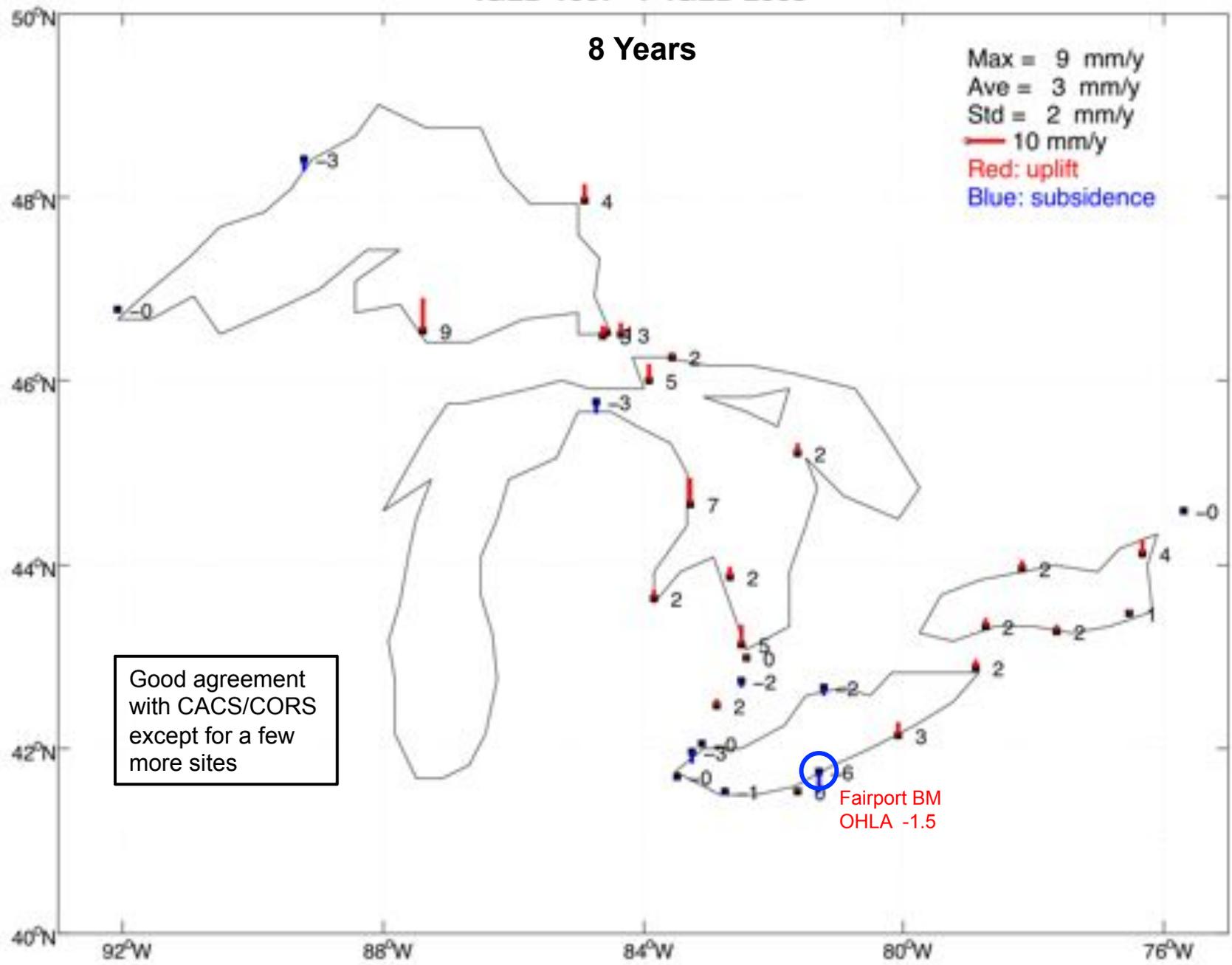
13 Years



IGLD 1997 -> IGLD 2005

8 Years

Max = 9 mm/y
Ave = 3 mm/y
Std = 2 mm/y
— 10 mm/y
Red: uplift
Blue: subsidence



IGLD 2005 → IGLD 2010

5 Years

Max = 10 mm/y
Ave = 3 mm/y
Std = 3 mm/y
— 10 mm/y
Red: uplift
Blue: subsidence

